

50 Voice of Chaim

April 2025 | Nisan/Iyar 5785 | Volume 50, Issue 4 | etzchaim.net



It's time to celebrate 50 years
of creating meaningful Jewish experiences.

Golden Anniversary Celebration & Silent Auction

Second Night Community Passover Seder

Sunday, April 13, at 6:00 p.m.

Hammer-Tritt Social Hall

**Join us as Rabbi Adler leads us
in a meaningful seder and meal.**

RSVP by April 7 at: <https://tinyurl.com/2ndNightSeder2025>

1190 Indian Hills Parkway | Marietta, GA 30068 | www.etzchaim.net | 770-973-0137

Cost:

- \$75 per adult (13 and up)
- \$36 per child (6 - 12 years old)
- Children 5 years and under are free



Inside this issue

Golden Anniversary Celebration.....	Cover
Second Night Passover Seder.....	Cover
Rabbi Dan Dorsch.....	Page 3
Rabbi Jonathon Adler.....	Page 3
Elliot Okrent - President.....	Page 4
Marty Gilbert - Executive Director....	Page 4
Preschool Director.....	Page 5
Camp Ruach! & Preschool Info.....	Page 6
Religious School Director.....	Page 7
Youth Department Photo Gallery.....	Page 8
Youth Department.....	Page 9
Caring Community (Chesed).....	Pages 10
B'nai Mitzvah.....	Page 11
Men's Club News.....	Page 12
Sisterhood Scoop.....	Page 13 and 24
<i>Lilmode</i> : Adult Education.....	Page 14
Etz Chaim Community News.....	Page 15
Young Adults.....	Page 15
Condolences and Yahrzeits.....	Page 16
The Prime Timers.....	Page 17
Social Action.....	Page 19
Holiday Information.....	Page 19
Around Jewish Atlanta.....	Page 19
Phillip's Library News.....	Pages 20
Roots Groups.....	Page 20
Tzedakah/Donations.....	Pages 21 - 24
Sale of Chametz Form.....	Page 25
Advertisers.....	Pages 26 - 28

Daily Minyan Times

Sunday Mornings: 9:15 a.m.

Monday – Friday Mornings: 7:00 a.m.

Sunday – Thursday Evenings: 6:30 p.m.

Please note:

Morning Minyan for Federal Holidays: 9:00 a.m.

Shabbat Services:

Friday, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, 9:30 a.m. (*in-person & livestream*)

etzchaim.net/facebook-livestream

Etz Chaim Executive Board

Elliot Okrent, President

Lisa Olens, Executive Vice President

Barry Gang, Chief Financial Officer

Harris Fogel, VP of Fundraising

Rabba Amanda Flaks and Josh Vexler, Co-VPs of Religion

Mallory Low, VP of Education

Lisa Dubovy, VP of Communications and Secretary

Rachel Wilson, VP of Membership Services

Audrey Fried-Sheets, VP of Engagement

Jamie Platt Lyons, Immediate Past President and Parliamentarian

Synagogue Staff

Dan Dorsch, Rabbi

Jonathon Adler, Rabbi

Shalom Lewis, Rabbi Emeritus

Marty Gilbert, Executive Director

Aram Blankenship, Facilities Manager

Debbie Deutsch, Director of Religious School and Youth Programming

Lauren Chernau, Director of Preschool

Tiana Plendl, Office Manager, Education Department

Betsy Fitzwater, Office Manager, Synagogue/Yahrzeits/Calendar

Christine Bezdek, Bookkeeper

Bernice Isaac, Communications/Voice of Chaim/Digital Content

Karen Chauvin, Administrative Assistant/Donations/Social Media

Get Involved with our Affinity Groups!

Angie Nothdurft, Backpack Buddies

Suzanne Rivchun, Chesed (Caring) Committee

Felicia Berne, Chavurot/Friendship Groups

Edye Mahaffey and Beth Walter, College Connection

Steven Perlow, Inclusion Committee

Jenifer Lieberbaum, Lilmode/Adult Education

Rachel Wilson, Membership Services

Mathew Nathan, Men's Club

Janice Levine, Phillip's Library

Andrew Kagan, Pride Alliance

Gail Vanovitch and Andrea Cohen, Prime Timers

Rabbi Adler and Karen Needle, Ruach Singers

Helaine Mark and Dani Oren, Sisterhood

Sharon Lightstone, Social Action

Anne Still, Young Adults

Bethany Levee, Youth Commission



Dan Dorsch

Rabbi

A few months ago, a guest attending a simcha approached me during kiddush after I gave a sermon that was connected to Israel. He was very complimentary of our synagogue. He then mentioned that his kids in attendance were staunch anti-Zionists and did not care for the message of my sermon. He inquired: Why couldn't there be more spaces in synagogues for anti-Zionists like them?

I was floored. Caught off guard, I probably didn't respond as well as I could have. I made the mistake of thinking if I asked the right questions, I could change his mind. He deflected repeatedly by saying there were "no easy answers". Somewhere in there, I threw in that all year, we've had a Melton Class on the Arab-Israeli conflict. We studied texts from both sides as a way of deepening our understanding of the conflict. He shrugged his shoulders.

In truth, none of what I said addressed the heart of his question: why there were no spaces in synagogues for people who did not believe in the existence of a Jewish State.

In retrospect, here's what I should have said:

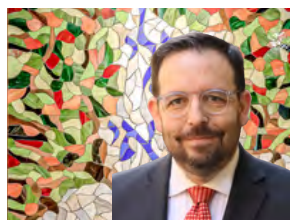
Our rabbis teach that when the Israelites left Egypt, they did so vechamushim. Traditionally, this meant that they had weapons. However, Rashi, looking at this text, sees the word chamesh (five) and argues that although there were Israelites who saw God's signs and wonders and had faith they would be led to liberation, most Israelites did not. According to Rashi, only 1/5 (chamush) of the Israelites left Egypt. The rest, he contends (somewhat metaphorically and actually), were left behind in Egypt during the plague of darkness.

At every Seder, there is a wicked child. Sometimes, we reframe it as the "rebellious child" to save blushes. But the symbolism is the same. As Jews we are part of a religion that prizes challenge, asking questions, and constructive criticism coming from a place of love. But the Haggadah asks us to consider: when does that questioning transform into the "gritted teeth" of the wicked child whom the Haggadah tells us "would not merit leaving Egypt"?

As I walked out of synagogue, I saw this man's children using their cellphones in the lobby on Shabbat. I don't need to tell you how many announcements we make about this every week. It would've been--had I pointed this out to him--the perfect answer to that parent's question. The reason there's no place for his children at the synagogue is because they are here with "gritted teeth." The reason there is no space for them is because their beliefs have led them to be inconsiderate of our space. I have no doubt that on their current trajectory, like other Jews in our generation, sadly, they will be left behind in Egypt.

It's not that I don't have rachmunus. I understand that father's very real struggle. We love our children and want to support them. We all hope that every Jewish child will preserve their heritage and pass it from one generation to the next. But the reality is that their denial of the right of a Jewish state to exist is akin to the Jews in Egypt who failed to see the miracle of God's exodus right in front of them.

It's tragic. But it's always been a feature of Jewish life. Some kids just don't make it out of Egypt. As they seek only to find fault and imperfection, they fail to see the miracle of the Promised Land.



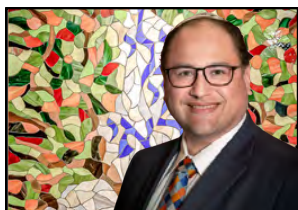
Jonathon Adler

Assistant Rabbi

It's so exciting to begin my return to work as I continue to recover after the medical miracle of my kidney transplant. I have received such a warm welcome back, and so many kind words from so many of you, and it's hard to express the depths of my gratitude. But as we approach Passover, gratitude is on my mind for other reasons as well.

Gratitude to God for freeing our ancestors from slavery in Egypt. Gratitude for Torah, the foundational document of our history and our laws. Gratitude for storytelling, which is a pillar of Passover, and the core of our Seders. I also must admit to gratitude for a movie I watch every year around now, "The Prince of Egypt", if you haven't seen it, now would be the perfect time!

The 1998 animated film's main song says, "There can be miracles when you believe." I firmly agree with that lyric written by Stephen Schwartz, who also wrote "Wicked". The Israelites believed that they would be freed and that they would find the Promised Land. And they got their miracle. And I believed that I was going to get a kidney... and I did. I also believe this Passover--and our 50th Anniversary Gala--will be wonderful.



Elliot Okrent President

"Here and now, it's time for celebration. I finally figured out that all our dreams have no limitations – that's what it's all about. We're all in this together – once we know that we are, we're all stars and we see that. We're all in this together, and it shows when we stand, hand in hand, make our dreams come true." – High School Musical

On April 27, we will come together to celebrate Congregation Etz Chaim's 50th anniversary - a milestone made possible by the vision and dedication of those who came before us. As the current President, I stand on the shoulders of those who built this community, ensuring its strength and vibrancy for future generations. As we mark this special occasion, I wanted to honor our legacy by inviting Stephen King, our first President, to share some reflections on our journey.

Please celebrate with us as we honor our past and build our future, together.

-Elliot

A few words from our founding President Stephen King



50 years ago, we had a vision to bring Judaism outside the perimeter. They told us we were crazy. Starting a congregation was an impossible task, especially in Cobb County. Well, we showed 'em. We collected a diverse group of Jews from three *chavurot* and transformed it into a vibrant, exciting, and respected congregation that is envied by the entire Atlanta Jewish community.

Our Jewish group started when there were only 20,000 Jews in Atlanta. Now there are over 140,000. We founded a place where Judaism and Jewish teachings have flourished. We study Torah, *Neviim* and *Ketuvim*, but I would like to think that we have added a new book called *Chamishim*, meaning 50. Our 50 years of Etz Chaim is a remarkable story of how to perpetuate the Jewish faith, our beliefs and our standards.

We should all kvell about our accomplishments in our first 50 years and look forward to writing the next chapter of *Chamishim* after our next 50 years.

-Stephen



Marty Gilbert Executive Director

"Vekidashtem et shenat hachamishim sham."

You shall sanctify the fiftieth year by proclaiming freedom throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a Jubilee to you and each of you shall return to his rightful possession and to his family. [Leviticus, Chapter 25](#)

In less than a month, we will gather together to celebrate Congregation Etz Chaim's 50th year, our Golden Anniversary.

It is not a rare occurrence, but it certainly is not an everyday thing either. In this age when everything is disposable and replaceable, it is comforting to know that we have endured and continue to thrive as a place that continues to "create meaningful Jewish experiences."

I am the product of those types of visionaries, not here, but in East Brunswick, NJ. Over 50 years ago my parents were founding members of what was once known as the Reform Temple of East Brunswick and then became Temple B'nai Shalom. Founding, sustaining, and growing a synagogue is no small feat; neither is bringing in new leadership every two years or so and eventually new senior rabbis.

Keeping the vision and checking the egos at the door is a difficult trick to pull over but when you do accomplish it, it deserves to be celebrated in a big way.

On April 27, that celebration will happen - food, an open bar, a great band, a wonderful silent auction, and the one thing that really matters - the people who make up this wonderful, special and vibrant congregation.

Here's to 50 years and to the next 50 years.

On April 27, I will be happy to buy you a drink.



The Passover story is one of my favorite chronicles of the year. It tells of strength, endurance, love, sacrifice, courage, and faith. I find myself, each year, digging deeper into the story to find more significance to my own life.

As we head into the Pesach season, as preschool teachers, we are once again challenged to bring those very adult-like themes to the minds and hearts of our preschoolers. There is, of course, the good guy Moses and the bad guy Pharaoh. There are magical scenes of burning bushes and parting seas. And the idea of the good guys winning, dancing and singing to celebrate freedom. The characters are so rich in meaning, even for young children. Moses, with his courage to stand up for justice. He is a leader and reminds us to listen and trust God. There is Moses' mother Yocheved, who makes the ultimate sacrifice to give her son the best chance to live. Moses' sister, Miriam, who risks her own safety to ensure the safety and wellbeing of her brother. And even Pharaoh's daughter, who surely knew that the baby she extracted from the river was a Jewish baby. She saved him and raised him safely in the palace.

There are so many opportunities to teach our children about being kind, looking out for others, making good choices, and treasuring family. As a preschool, we try to bring these characters to life by encouraging the children to emulate their behaviors. This Pesach, as we practice our own traditions and celebrations, may we remember the ones who went before us and practice some of their strengths in our own homes.



Babysitting on Shabbat Morning

Saturdays, April 5, 12, 19 and 26
9:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Babysitting is available on Shabbat when there is no other Youth Shabbat programming. Please check our [website calendar](#) or in the weekly EtzBlast for updates.

Etz Chaim Preschool
Web Page



"Pop Up" Tot Shabbat

Friday, April 18

5:00 - 5:45 p.m. "BYOD" ~ Bring Your Own Dinner

5:45 - 6:30 p.m. Tot Shabbat: Songs, Dancing, Crafts and Fun!

All are welcome. For questions, please contact [Lauren Chernau](#) or call 770-977-3384.



M&M Shabbat

May 9, 6:00 p.m. Service/6:30 p.m. Dinner

Join us for a fun-filled family Shabbat service in Phillip's Library with a dairy dinner to follow in the Hammer-Tritt Social Hall. The *cost is \$18 per member family (immediate family) and \$36 for guest families. [Click here](#) to RSVP or scan the QR code. *Bring friend who is a non-member and both you and they get in free!



Shabbat Flowers Preschool Fundraiser

Fridays in front of the Education Office

Each Friday, our Preschool will have a Flower Cart with beautiful fresh flowers you can take for a small donation to brighten up your Shabbat table.

Preschool Dates to Remember:

Friday, April 11, School Closed for Pesach

Sunday, April 13, Etz Chaim Community Seder

Monday - Wednesday, April 14-16, School Closed for Pesach

Monday - Friday, April 21-25, Conference Week (Preschool in session)

ASP Classes for Puppies and Cool Cats:

ASP Cooking: Mondays, April 7, 21 and 28

ASP Rhythm & Movement: Tuesdays, April 1, 8, 22 and 29

ASP Art: Wednesdays, April 2, 9, 23 and 30

ASP Yoga: Thursdays, April 3, 10 and 24 (no yoga on 4/17)

ASP Drama: Fridays, April 4 and 25 (no drama on 4/18)

Camp Ruach! & Preschool Registration



CAMP RUACH!

CATERING TO AGES 14 MON. & WALKING - RISING KINDERGARTEN

JUNE 3RD - JULY 30TH

2025

GIVE YOUR CHILD A WONDERFUL SUMMER EXPERIENCE

SPIRIT-FILLED SUMMER OF FRIENDSHIP AND FUN!

FANTASTIC STAFF

OUR QUALIFIED STAFF OF WELL-TRAINED, ENERGETIC TEACHERS AND TEEN COUNSELORS WILL ENERGIZE YOUR CHILD'S SUMMER

WE OFFER FLEXIBILITY

- ENROLL FOR ONE WEEK OR PER 4 WEEK SESSION
- PART-TIME AND FULL-TIME CAMP OPTIONS
- SIBLING DISCOUNT ON LOWEST WEEKLY RATE

MUSIC

DAILY WATER PLAY

SPORTS

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

LAUREN CHERNAU | 770-977-3384 | LAUREN@ETZCHAIM.NET
VISIT US AT: WWW.ETZCHAIM.NET/LEARNING/CAMP-RUACH/

CRAFTS

REGISTER NOW



Camp Ruach!
Registration Now Open





REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Our experienced teachers and engaging curriculum offer children the opportunity to learn and grow in a safe, nurturing environment.



✓ Play-based learning

✓ Outdoor play

✓ Developmentally appropriate curriculum

✓ Shabbat Celebrations

✓ Building family connections

✓ Learning about the holidays in fun interactive ways

ENROLL TODAY

MORE INFORMATION

preschool.etzchaim.net

CONGREGATION ETZ CHAIM | 1190 INDIAN HILLS PKWY, MARIETTA, GA 30068 | WWW.ETZCHAIM.NET

50

Congregation
ETZ CHAIM

creating intergenerational experiences






2025-2026
Preschool Registration
Now Open!



Religious School News

Debbie Deutsch

Director, Religious School
and Youth Programming



It's All About The Kids

By now I hope you know that since I “graduated” from preschool, I have taken on the responsibility for our Youth Department, an endeavor that brings new learning and great joy. As we have three events a month for our kindergarten – eighth graders, I have the opportunity to check in with all our students wearing a different hat. I’m fortunate to work alongside a team of advisors who help plan, manage, and staff the events. As you can imagine, USY, our group for ninth-twelfth graders is another animal. These kids are rockstars, as they meet each Wednesday to lead minyan and then stay for Wacky Wednesday, where they have programs about Israel, plan social action events, the Purim Carnival, and participate in learning how to become a leader.

Now you know the “what” of my new responsibilities and here’s the “why”. It has been a gift to meet and get to know all these children. For some of them, it’s been since they were born or at least 18 months old. Helping them develop a love of Judaism and its traditions has always been a goal of mine. Connecting our kids to Am Israel, the Jewish people, and Eretz Yisrael, the land of Israel, will help keep them engaged in their Judaism in a deep manner that should last forever. We should never assume this will happen through osmosis. On the contrary, we must provide opportunities for them to learn, to grow, and to connect. Through involvement in our youth groups, our students are experiencing Judaism in a way that is different from home, from school, and from camp. And, while all of these have a place, joining your Religious School buddies for fun social activities after school or going away to a weekend convention as a teen, play an important role as well. We are deepening the connection to our Etz Chaim community, and that is a gift I’m honored to be a part of giving.



Shake it Up Shabbat

(formerly Team Shabbat)

Saturday, April 26 and May 17
9:30 a.m.

Join us once a month for **Shake it Up Shabbat** morning service for **kindergarten through seventh grade** students and families. The goal of the service is for everyone to become more comfortable in the Radow Sanctuary while those children who choose to do so will lead us in parts of the service. This service and Rabbi Adler’s Learners’ Minyan replaces last year’s Team Shabbat. We look forward to seeing all of our families.



Religious
School
Web Page



M&M Shabbat

Friday, May 9, 6:00 p.m. Service/6:30 p.m. Dinner

Join us for a fun-filled family Shabbat service in Phillip’s Library with a dairy dinner to follow in the Hammer-Tritt Social Hall. The cost is \$18 per member family (immediate family) and \$36 for guest families. [Click here](#) to RSVP or scan the QR code. *Bring friend who is a non-member and both you and they get in free! Thank you to JFGA for supporting this program with a “Gather Grant”.



Mark your calendars for the following events this month:

Wednesday, April 2 - USY Wacky Wednesday

Sundays and Tuesdays, April 6, 8, 13 and 15 - Religious School Closed for Spring Break and Pesach

Sunday, April 13 - Second Night Community Seder at Etz Chaim. To RSVP, [click here](#).

Saturday, April 19 - Kitah Gimel Haggigat HaSiddur and USY Shabbaton

Sunday, April 20 - Religious School in session (last day of Pesach)

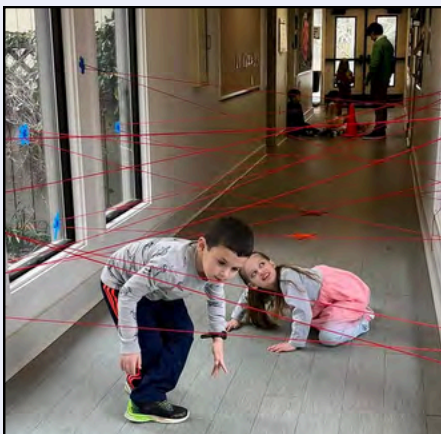
Sunday, April 20, 6:30 p.m. - Baccalaureate Service for graduating seniors

Saturday, April 26 - Shake It Up Shabbat

Sunday, April 27 - Pre-K in session

YouthDepartment Photo Gallery

Etz Chaim Youth Groups are fun for everyone!
Photos from Chalutzim, Chaverim and Gesher events.



Youth Department

Debbie Deutsch

Director, Religious School
and Youth Programming



Youth
Department

Membership Information for 2024-2025

It's time to sign your child(ren) up for this year's Youth Department age-appropriate programming!

Costs are as follows:

Chalutzim and Chaverim \$ 80 per child for members / \$116 for non-members

Gesher \$90 per child for members / \$126 for non-members

USY \$180 per child, all-inclusive price includes Wacky dinners, Limo Lock-in, social events, and Banquet for USY members.

USY non-member price is \$216

To fill out the Youth Department Membership Form, [click here](#) or scan the QR code to go directly to the form.

Youth Department Registration



Upcoming April Programming:



Chalutzim (K-2nd GR)
Sunday, May 4 from 12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Are you ready to party and wrap up this awesome year? This event is for you! Join us for our end of year party with Chaverim and Gesher. Please RSVP by April 30.



Chaverim (3rd-5th GR)
Sunday, May 4 from 12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Are you ready to party and wrap up this awesome year? This event is for you! Join us for our end of year party with Chalutzim and Gesher. Please RSVP by April 30.



Gesher (6th-8th GR)
Sunday, May 4 from 12:15 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Are you ready to party and wrap up this awesome year? This is the event for you! Join us for our end of the year party with Chaverim and Chalutzim. Please RSVP by April 30.



Sababa USY (9th-12th GR)
Wacky Wednesdays,
April 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30 from 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.





Baccalaureate Service
Sunday, April 20, at 6:30 p.m.
Mazal Tov to our 2025 Graduating Seniors



Ethan Efrat	Sophie Levy	Lilah Mott	Jacob Sommer
Carson Froy	Ari Low	Mia Moyal	Levi Weinstein
Jacob Levin	Milo Medof	Shane Rose	

Our Caring Community



How Can We Help?

The Chesed Committee is expanding to help you navigate life's challenging times.

Shalom Baby!

שלום תינוק

Hello Baby!

Honorary Bubbes & Zaydes

Grand Mothers & Fathers

Lev El Lev

לב אל לב

Heart to Heart

Yad V'Yad

יד ביד

Hand in Hand

Bikkur Cholim

ביקור חולים

Visiting the ill

Nefesh L'Nefesh

נפש לנפש

Soul to Soul

Contact Rabbi Dorsch at (770) 973-0137 or rabbidorsch@etzchaim.net to see how the Chesed Committee can help YOU or someone in your immediate family! Confidentiality respected.

IS THERE A NEW BABY IN YOUR HOUSE?

Shalom Baby!

Once the synagogue has been notified, we're here to provide a warm welcome to the newest member of your family. We can suggest resources for a brit milah or a simchat bat, provide some nourishment for the whole family during those hectic first days and even provide your little one with some Etz Chaim "merch"!

DO YOUR CHILDREN NEED A LOCAL GRANDPARENT?

Honorary Bubbes and Zaydes (Grandmothers and Grandfathers)

Sometimes grandparents live too far away for regular visits or even visits on special occasions; even local grandparents are sometimes unavailable. If you'd like your child or children to have the special gift of connection with a local bubbe or zayde, a savta or saba, we can arrange it!

WOULD YOU WELCOME A VISIT FROM A NEW FRIEND?

Lev El Lev (Heart to Heart)

Sometimes illness, age, the death of a spouse or partner – even a new move to this area – can leave us feeling isolated and lonely. If you'd welcome the chance to meet a new friend, share a cup of coffee and maybe some life stories, we'd be happy to provide that friend for you!

DON'T FIGHT A MEDICAL BATTLE ALONE

Yad B'Yad (Hand in Hand)

If you're facing or battling a medical challenge, walk down that road hand-in-hand with someone who's already made that journey. A member of our congregation who has faced a similar medical issue can provide information, tips and other resources as you navigate the road ahead.

WOULD A VISIT LIFT YOUR SPIRITS?

Bikkur Cholim (Visiting the Ill)

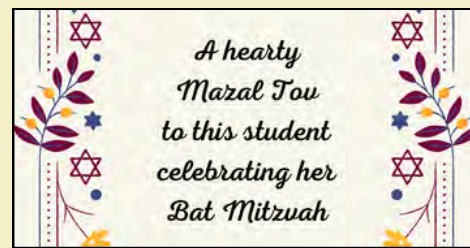
Time in the hospital, in rehab or during recuperation at home can be very long. A visit from a member of our congregation who comes with a smile -- and maybe even a joke or two -- can help break the boredom.

HAS A LOVED ONE PASSED AWAY?

Nefesh L'Nefesh (Soul to Soul)

After the synagogue has been notified of the death of a congregant or a congregant's loved one, Nefesh L'Nefesh volunteers arrange a meal for the immediate family of the deceased after an in-town funeral. (Those congregants who observe shiva at home after an out-of-town funeral receive a fruit platter.) With our rabbis, we can also provide both short-and long-term resources to help you deal with loss and grief.

B'nai Mitzvah



The Voice features information on upcoming B'nai Mitzvah. If your child has a Bar/Bat Mitzvah in the coming months, we would like to feature your child's:

- Biographical information
- School information
- Photo
- D'var Torah Quote
- Mitzvah Project

To have your child's simcha included in the Voice, please email the Bio form which is included in the B'nai Mitzvah Handbook from the Religious School along with a high-resolution photo to [Bernice](#) in the synagogue office.



B'nai Mitzvah



Juliet Adele Sutton will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on April 26, 2025 - 28 Nisan 5785. She is the daughter of Jessica and Adam Sutton. Juliet's Bat Mitzvah Parsha is Shemini. She is a seventh grader at Hightower Trail Middle School and has been a student in our Religious School for eight years. Juliet's hobbies and interests include running, shopping and music.

Juliet's D'var Torah quote is "Whether it is the food we eat, the words we say, or the way we treat others, Judaism teaches us that even small actions can have an impact". For her mitzvah project, Juliet is raising money for the American Heart Association and organizing a heart walk to raise awareness and help fund heart studies.



Voting is a simple, online process that takes just five minutes and five dollars.



Scan the QR, or visit mercazusa.org/votemercaz2025 where you can click to sign up for a reminder to vote from your community's MERCAZ captain - make sure to enter your **community code, 402**.

mercazusa.org

[/mercazusa](https://facebook.com/mercazusa)

Yom HaShoah Holocaust Remembrance Day



**Never Forget.
Never Again.**



Join us as Congregation Etz Chaim and The Catholic Church of St. Ann come together as one to commemorate Yom HaShoah.

Wednesday, April 23
Congregation Etz Chaim

6:00 p.m. Docent led tour of Etz Chaim's Holocaust Memorial Garden

6:30 p.m. Mincha/Ma'ariv Service

7:00 p.m. Program

RSVP at: tinyurl.com/WeRemember2025

1190 Indian Hills Pkwy. | Marietta, GA 30068

Men's Club



Men's Club is a vital part of our congregation.
Our ongoing programs include:

- Supporting daily minyan
- Sponsoring picnics
- World Wide Wrap
- Providing scholarships
- Men's Club Shabbat
- Anshei Darom Retreat
- Synagogue Softball League
- Ushering for High Holidays
- Supporting the Holocaust Garden

Our goal is to provide our members with opportunities to meet one another and make new lasting friendships, support our community, and have fun during the process.

Join *Men's Club* and make a difference in our Etz Chaim community.

Get on our mailing list at: mensclub@etzchaim.net

President: [Mathew Nathan](#), VP: [Clifford Martin](#)

Greetings, Etz Chaim Congregants.

Men's Club continued with our annual Passover Brisket sale for Passover. Over 300 pounds of Kosher Brisket was prepared this year. Just a note for next year- our brisket freezes great and can be used for many occasions.

L'Etz Go Braves- Tickets are limited and are on sale now for **Sunday, May 4**, with the **first pitch at 7:10 p.m.** Come out and join us in cheering on the Braves as they host the LA Dodgers in this Primetime match-up.

In case you missed it, we invited hundreds of 5th graders from Eastside Elementary School to tour our Holocaust Memorial Garden. This was an amazing opportunity to help educate the youth in our community.

A special shout-out to Alan Lightstone, who just completed his term as Regional President of Anshei Darom. His leadership has helped our Men's Club and others in the Region remain strong. The showing of members at the annual retreat last month proves just that. There were 55 men from our region, 22 of whom were from Etz Chaim. Thank you, Alan.

Got an idea about an event? Shoot us an email and let's discuss. We are actively looking for more social opportunities for our members to come socialize with us. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our President, Mathew Nathan (mattynathan@gmail.com) or Vice President, Clifford Martin (cliffordwmartin@gmail.com).



Etz Chaim Men's Club represents at the
Anshei Darom Regional Retreat



Anshei Darom Regional Retreat Attendees

Sisterhood Scoop



Sisterhood Minyan Makers:

Join Sisterhood on the 1st Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m. as we help make a minyan for those saying Kaddish for a loved one.

Judaica and Gifts Shop:

We are open for business! Hours are:
Sundays and Mondays, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Tuesdays, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Please contact [Lauren Gray](mailto:Lauren.Gray@etzchaim.net) for information
giftshop@etzchaim.net.

JNF Trees for Israel:

Honor someone special by purchasing a tree in the Etz Chaim Sisterhood Grove in Israel. For more information, contact [Sandy Bailey](mailto:Sandy.Bailey@etzchaim.net) or the [Gift Shop](#).

Want to know more about Sisterhood?

Please contact [Helaine Mark](mailto:Helaine.Mark@etzchaim.net) at (404) 353-4589 or [Dani Oren](mailto:Dani.Oren@etzchaim.net) at (770) 630-2254.

Centerpiece Rental:

Consider using our beautiful new topiary centerpieces for your Friday night dinner, Kiddush luncheon or Saturday evening affair. Contact the [Gift Shop](#) for more information.



Sisterhood WhatsApp:

Join our WhatsApp Community and stay connected! You will be able to receive updates, chat with Sisterhood members, and join subgroups organized by topic such as Monthly Minyan and Book Club. Please complete [this form](#) to join our Community. Need assistance? Contact [Karen](mailto:Karen@etzchaim.net) in the synagogue office.

Torah Fund - Support Women's League

Torah Fund supports scholarships and programs in the Conservative Institutes of Higher Jewish Learning. This year's pin, *Am Yisrael Chai* (The People of Israel Live), is a statement of solidarity for our Jewish nation and the continuity of our people. For information on donations and giving levels, contact Sandy Bailey at (770) 490-7874 or by email at jbsandy10@gmail.com.



Sisterhood Yom Ha'atzmaut Kabbalat Shabbat

Dinner and Installation

Friday, May 2, 6:30 p.m. Service

Dinner to follow at approximately 7:15 p.m.



We welcome all congregants to join us for an Israeli-themed dinner, installation of Sisterhood's 2025-26 Board and a meaningful program featuring our very own Alli Medof, *Hatikvah: Sharing Words of Hope*.

Dinner \$25 per person/children 5 and under free.

RSVP by Monday, April 21 at

etzchaimatl.shulcloud.com/event/yomhaatzmautshabbat2025

Congregation Etz Chaim | 1190 Indian Hills Parkway | Marietta, GA 30068

Join us for our monthly book discussion.

Location will be provided upon RSVP. Livestream will be available.

Sunday, April 6 at 10:00 a.m.



Join us as we discuss the book, *All Other Nights*, by Dara Horn

Our May book will be *Goyhood*, by AReuven Fenton.

For more information and to RSVP, contact [Myra Goldberg](mailto:Myra.Goldberg@etzchaim.net).

*Wanna get involved with Sisterhood?
Join in the fun and participate!
Reach out to Helaine or Dani
at etzchaimsisterhood@gmail.com.*

**Be "in the know" and
join our WhatsApp group.**



Lilmode: Adult Education



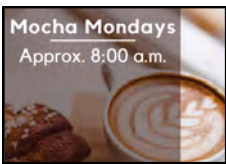
Our goal is to offer programs and classes that provide our congregants with an array of Jewish learning opportunities. We have purposefully chosen a variety of enriching experiences so every member can benefit from courses, classes, and lectures. If you have a class idea for *Lilmode*, please feel free to contact [Jenifer Lieberbaum](#).



Monthly Torah Study at Huntcliff

Thursdays, April 3 and May 1, at 11:30 a.m.

All are welcome to attend the monthly Torah Study hosted by Huntcliff Summit I - Independent Living. Their address is: 8592 Roswell Road, Sandy Springs, GA 30350



Mocha Mondays
Approx. 8:00 a.m.

Mocha Monday with Rabbi Dorsch

Monthly Coffee and Breakfast

Mondays, April 7 and May 5, after morning minyan, approximately 8:00 a.m.

Hammer-Tritt Social Hall

Join Rabbi Dorsch for a discussion on "The Talmud's Greatest Hits". All are welcome to attend.



Lunch & Learn
with Rabbi Dan Dorsch
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.

Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Dorsch

Monthly Discussion and Pizza

Tuesday at noon

April 22 at Etz Chaim

Come learn and enjoy some pizza with Rabbi Dorsch as he discusses a variety of topics at this monthly L&L. To get a monthly reminder and to RSVP, email betsy@etzchaim.net. *Sponsored by the Joyce and Ramie Tritt Family Foundation.*



Weekly Torah Study with the Rabbi

Thursdays 10:00 a.m., Hammer-Tritt Social Hall

April 3 and 24, May 1 and 8

Join us in person or via [Zoom](#) for a stimulating conversation with the Rabbi. To RSVP, contact [Betsy](#).



BOMB SHELTER BEAUTIFICATION

Etz Chaim is providing Safety in Times of Need

With a total gift of \$10,000, Etz Chaim can sponsor the painting of a bomb shelter and brighten the spirits of local residents.

**WE ARE AT 65%! PLEASE HELP OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS
IN ISRAEL! DON'T FORGET, THIS IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE!**

For the last two decades, residents of Israel's Gaza Envelope region have had to endure continual attack by the nearby Gaza Strip – rockets, incendiary balloons, and more. It has now spread northwards as well with Hezbollah launching rockets at Israel's northern region.

Bomb shelters save lives from rockets. Jewish National Fund-USA assists families and children by providing them with small and large bomb shelters so that safety is never far away. We go one step further and make bomb shelters more welcoming by painting colorful murals that improve mental health in children and adults suffering from PTSD.

BOMB SHELTER BEAUTIFICATION FOR YOUR SYNAGOGUE

- Shelter location to be selected by local municipality
- Every synagogue has the opportunity to choose a family-friendly design/theme (no photo submissions, please)
- Each shelter will be painted by a local artist, and beautified with an original design
- Your community will be honored with dedication language (example: Painting Dedicated by Congregation Beth Torah, City/State)
- Shelters are coated with paint for optimal weather protection for up to 5 years
- A beautiful certificate is sent in recognition of the painting when complete

Donate today at <https://my.jnf.org/synagoguepaintshelters/CongregationEtzChaim>

Our Etz Chaim Community



Have News You'd Like to Share?

Please submit community news to Bernice Isaac in the synagogue office.

Welcome to our Etz Chaim Family

- Melissa Balser & Tommy Smith | Melissa: 404-558-7268 | Tommy: 470-595-0258
mel.balser@gmail.com | tsmith235@gmail.com
- Sandra and Lewis Craine | Sandra: 678-614-5746 | sandracraine@att.net
- Sydney Zemnick | 770-337-6813 | sydney.zemnick825@gmail.com
- Kristen and Michael Sloan | Kristen: 404-408-3329 | Michael: 561-601-6435
kris1118@gmail.com | michael.david.sloan@gmail.com

Mazal Tov Wishes

- Debbie and Kevin Robbins on the birth of their grandson, Easton Jay, born February 10, to Stephanie and Jay Wadhwani
- Lisa and Sam Olens on the birth of their granddaughter, Leora Adiella, born on February 25 to Lauren and David Gorvy and Mazal Tov to uncle, Jonathan Olens
- Bernice and Bruce Mellman on the birth of their granddaughter, Emily Pearl, born on March 3 to Kelley and Aaron Mellman
- Micah and Matt Gross on the birth of their son, Charlie Dylan, and Mazal Tov to grandparents Eva and Gordon Green
- Debbie and Gary Deutsch on the marriage of their son Eric to Lin Kaplan on March 23, and Mazal Tov to grandparents, Lou and Helen z"l Rosengarten, and to aunt and uncle, Marcy and Elliott Rosengarten

Shout Outs

- Thank you to Michael Karp for delivering our food donations to JF&CS each month.
- Thank you to our office volunteers: Ron Judenberg, Karen Keeter and Linda Weinroth
- Thank you to the "office recycling team" for their weekly collection of paper

Email & Phone Updates

- Abby Hall | abby.leah.hall@gmail.com
- Debby Chartash | 678-699-5392

Shabbat Honors Reminders

- Do you have a milestone birthday, anniversary, or another significant life event? Observing a yahrzeit?
- Being called to the Torah is a great way to commemorate the occasion whether honoring a simcha or honoring the memory of a loved one.
- We also honor those who have volunteered at the synagogue to mark a job well done.
- Please reach out to Glynis Okrent to schedule a Shabbat honor.

Young Adults

Congregation Etz Chaim's Young Adults Group is open to Jews in their 20's and 30's. Synagogue membership is not necessary; however, a reduced membership is offered and includes a High Holiday ticket. Programs vary from social events, holiday programs and social action opportunities. Events take place at Etz Chaim, as well as locations around the city of Atlanta.

If you are interested in learning more about our Young Adults Group or would like to be added to our email list, please contact Anne Still and follow us on Facebook.

Post-Pesach Hops and Chametz Trivia Night
MUTATION BREWING COMPANY
5825 Roswell Road, NE | Sandy Springs, GA 30328

Wednesday, April 30
7:00 p.m. Schmooze | 7:30 p.m. Trivia Begins

First round of apps will be provided by Etz Chaim!

RSVP: etzchaimatl.shulcloud.com/event/yapostpesach

50
Congregation ETZ CHAIM
1190 Indian Hills Pkwy. | Marietta, GA 30068
(770) 973-0137 | www.etzchaim.net

ETZ CHAIM
Young Adults

MUTATION

Condolences and Yahrzeits



Our Condolences

- We mourn the loss of Irving Barrack, beloved father of David Barrack
- We mourn the loss of Ariel Eisenberg, beloved daughter of Sugar and Scott Eisenberg

We Remember

- Memorialize a loved one with a **plaque** on our Yahrzeit Wall in the Radow Sanctuary or with a **brick** in our Holocaust Memorial Garden. For more information on purchasing a plaque, contact [Betsy Fitzwater](#).
- An Asterisk (*) denotes a memorial plaque in our sanctuary to be lit on the day of the yahrzeit and on all Yizkor holidays.

April Yahrzeits

1-April | Barbara Pomerance | 3 Nisan
 1-April | Marc Goldsmith | 3 Nisan
 *1-April | Martha Sussman | 3 Nisan
 1-April | Steven Berkman | 3 Nisan
 1-April | Susan Frohlich | 3 Nisan
 2-April | Samuel Lederman | 4 Nisan
 3-April | Anita Reiter | 5 Nisan
 *3-April | Irving Goldman | 5 Nisan
 3-April | Sidney Engel | 5 Nisan
 *4-April | Irving Altholtz | 6 Nisan
 4-April | Paul Shilling | 6 Nisan
 5-April | Hugh Cheslin | 7 Nisan
 5-April | Robert Needle | 7 Nisan
 *5-April | Stuart Turner | 7 Nisan
 6-April | Arthur Suway | 8 Nisan
 6-April | Charles Schancupp | 8 Nisan
 *6-April | Daniel Kleinman | 8 Nisan
 6-April | Lena Chesin | 8 Nisan
 7-April | Irving Adair | 9 Nisan
 *7-April | Joseph Howard Goldstein | 9 Nisan
 7-April | Louis Israelton | 9 Nisan
 8-April | Pearl Rosenberg | 10 Nisan
 *9-April | Bernard Vexler | 11 Nisan
 *9-April | Bob Goldman | 11 Nisan
 9-April | Brian Brody | 11 Nisan
 9-April | James Green | 11 Nisan
 *9-April | Ron Bachenheimer | 11 Nisan
 9-April | Sharla Barber | 11 Nisan
 10-April | Bella Kandel | 12 Nisan
 *10-April | Bernice Krodman | 12 Nisan
 10-April | Louis Rappeport | 12 Nisan
 10-April | Rachamim Ben-Aroia | 12 Nisan
 10-April | Robin Anders | 12 Nisan
 11-April | Irving Jacoby | 13 Nisan
 11-April | Jack Goldstein | 13 Nisan
 *11-April | Joseph Schwartz | 13 Nisan
 11-April | Marvin Allen Coplon | 13 Nisan
 11-April | Sylvia Levit | 13 Nisan
 12-April | Barney Cohen | 14 Nisan
 *12-April | Penina "Penny" Bowman | 14 Nisan
 13-April | Louise Baron | 15 Nisan
 *13-April | Sidney Gordon | 15 Nisan

*13-April | William Rosenfeld | 15 Nisan
 14-April | Barbara Flagel | 16 Nisan
 *14-April | Harry Kramer | 16 Nisan
 14-April | Irene Schonberger | 16 Nisan
 *14-April | Joseph La Vine | 16 Nisan
 *14-April | Ken Seidman | 16 Nisan
 14-April | Susan Jacobs | 16 Nisan
 14-April | Teri Scheinzeit | 16 Nisan
 15-April | Celia Masters | 17 Nisan
 15-April | Constantin Andronescu | 17 Nisan
 15-April | Lottie Hartnig | 17 Nisan
 15-April | Ruth Green | 17 Nisan
 16-April | Marcia Klein | 18 Nisan
 17-April | Avishag Turel | 19 Nisan
 *17-April | Lynne Platt | 19 Nisan
 *17-April | Melvin Intner | 19 Nisan
 17-April | Samuel Kandel | 19 Nisan
 17-April | Stanley Donner | 19 Nisan
 17-April | Zalman Angster | 19 Nisan
 18-April | Beatrice Rosenberg | 20 Nisan
 18-April | Esther Smith | 20 Nisan
 18-April | Harry Kolin | 20 Nisan
 18-April | Irving Hazan | 20 Nisan
 *18-April | Jack Briks | 20 Nisan
 18-April | Morris "Buddy" Goldstein | 20 Nisan
 19-April | George Gordel Grauer | 21 Nisan
 19-April | John Cosgrove | 21 Nisan
 19-April | William Nelson | 21 Nisan
 20-April | Evelyn Gerson | 22 Nisan
 20-April | Fay Sackler | 22 Nisan
 *20-April | Murray Breier | 22 Nisan
 20-April | Shirley Zicht Simpson | 22 Nisan
 21-April | Esther Mehlman | 23 Nisan
 *21-April | Herman Weitz | 23 Nisan
 21-April | Maxine Sisselman | 23 Nisan
 21-April | Smiley Nelson | 23 Nisan
 *22-April | Ellen Coltman | 24 Nisan
 22-April | Evelyn Weiss | 24 Nisan
 22-April | Helen Shelkoff | 24 Nisan
 22-April | Jo Ann Leder | 24 Nisan
 22-April | Leona Rothstein | 24 Nisan
 *23-April | Irving Mark | 25 Nisan

*23-April | Phillip Silverman | 25 Nisan
 23-April | Stephen Frohlich | 25 Nisan
 24-April | Howard Stiller | 26 Nisan
 24-April | Isak Kanner | 26 Nisan
 *25-April | Joseph Jacob Alperin | 27 Nisan
 *25-April | Lillian Greenspon | 27 Nisan
 *25-April | Melvin Groskind | 27 Nisan
 25-April | Mollie Rosner | 27 Nisan
 25-April | Stephen Parolisi | 27 Nisan
 *26-April | Cecelia Groskind | 28 Nisan
 26-April | Connie Samuels | 28 Nisan
 26-April | Libby Yonks | 28 Nisan
 26-April | Nathan Ostrofsky | 28 Nisan
 *26-April | Rhonda Sue L. Dvorin | 28 Nisan
 *26-April | Stephen Dauer | 28 Nisan
 27-April | Becky Whetstone | 29 Nisan
 27-April | Estelle Segal | 29 Nisan
 27-April | Selma Shapiro | 29 Nisan
 *27-April | Sylvia Shams | 29 Nisan
 *28-April | Henry Saffran | 30 Nisan
 28-April | Joseph Bejerano | 30 Nisan
 28-April | Philip Reiss | 30 Nisan
 28-April | Teresa Andrade | 30 Nisan
 *29-April | Bella Hans | 1 Iyar
 29-April | Estelle Rathbone | 1 Iyar
 29-April | Joseph Feldberg | 1 Iyar
 *29-April | Lillian Galin | 1 Iyar
 *29-April | Louis D. Goldstein | 1 Iyar
 29-April | Michael Barrack | 1 Iyar
 29-April | Stephanie Iris Prezant | 1 Iyar
 29-April | Sylvia Bierman | 1 Iyar
 30-April | Beverly Kaiman | 2 Iyar
 30-April | Davis Zinsenheim | 2 Iyar
 30-April | Evelyn Gertrude Sommer | 2 Iyar
 *30-April | Irving Graiser | 2 Iyar
 30-April | Marvin Dickler | 2 Iyar
 30-April | Meilakh Barshay | 2 Iyar
 *30-April | Randy Groskind | 2 Iyar
 30-April | Toby Circus Ballantine | 2 Iyar
 30-April | Zelda Ross | 2 Iyar

The Prime Timers



The Prime Timers are an affinity group of congregants who are 55+ in age and/or no longer have children living at home and are in the prime of their lives. They build new friendships and enjoy social and cultural events by coming together for monthly programs.

Past events have included: Atlanta Jewish Film Festival, Historical and Museum Tours, Vodka and Latkes, Brunch, Trivia Night, and Dance parties with live music.

Contact one of The Prime Timers co-chairs:

Gail Vanovitch or Andrea Cohen for more information about The Prime Timers.



Canasta and Mah Jongg

Sponsored by AgeWell and Etz Chaim

Mondays, 10:00 a.m. - Noon

Join us for fun and games with AgeWell. Free and open to the community.

Questions? Contact Bernice Mellman.



Koffee & Kibbitz

Sponsored by AgeWell and Etz Chaim

Tuesday, April 22

10:30 a.m. Let's kibbitz and have some coffee and snacks

11:00 a.m. "Bingo for Prizes"

Join us for a morning of Bingo and prizes in the Hammer-Tritt Social Hall at Etz Chaim. To RSVP, [click here](#).

PICNIC

Red Top Mountain State Park
Picnic Shelter 2

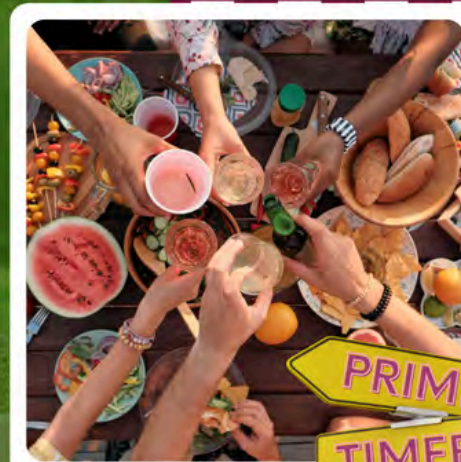
50 Lodge Road, SE, Acworth, GA 30102

Sunday, May 18
11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.



- Bring your own lunch
- We'll provide the water, iced tea & lemonade
- Parking is \$5 per vehicle and \$5 to attend event
- To carpool from Etz Chaim, meet at 10:30 a.m.
- Bring games to play or hike one of the many trails

RSVP: <https://etzchaimatl.shulcloud.com/event/ptredtop>



Social Action/ Tikkun Olam



At Etz Chaim, we care about the world around us. Through a variety of opportunities within Etz Chaim and the greater Atlanta community, Tikkun Olam is one of the cornerstones of Jewish tradition.

We continue to participate in the following annual events:

- Hunger Walk benefiting the Atlanta Community Food Bank and Kosher Pantry
- Knitting scarfs with our Sisterhood to provide warmth to our friends at MUST Ministries
- Cooking meals for the residents at Rebecca's Tent, a women's shelter, during the month of February
- Men's Club/Social Action annual blood drive with Life South
- Monthly food drive for the Kosher Food Pantry at JF&CS
- Educational programs on anti-sex trafficking and protecting your child from predators

If you have suggestions or would like to get involved in *Social Action* programs, please feel free to contact [Sharon Lightstone](#), chair.



Backpack Buddies 2025

As a congregation, this is our third year of this important program supporting Eastvalley Elementary School by providing bags of food each week to food-insecure children. There are so many ways you can help this important cause!

1. Volunteer your time: If you are interested in packing bags of food, delivering bags to the school, and more, please [click here](#) to fill out the interest form.
2. Donate food: There is always a need for more nutritious food to stock our pantry shelves!

You can shop our [Amazon Wish List](#) here or purchase items yourself from our [list of requested items](#) and drop them off in the bin in the Etz Chaim lobby.

If you have any questions, please reach out to [Angela Nothdurft](#), or (240) 476-5758.

Did you know you can do all of these things online?



- Pay your dues
- Make donations
- RSVP for programs
- Update your family profile
- Utilize the online directory for emails, phone numbers, and addresses of our congregants
- View the synagogue calendar

For assistance, contact [Karen Chauvin](#) in the synagogue office or call her at (770) 973-0137.



THE GREEN TEAM'S MISSION COFFEE MUG



MISSION BYOM - BRING YOUR OWN COFFEE MUG

BYOM for Kiddush lunch to reduce our paper goods footprint.

- Your name will be placed on your mug (using an oil-based paint pen).
- Your mug will be washed weekly.
- Your mug will be stored in the Sunshine Kitchen for use on Shabbat.

We ask you to bring your mug to the synagogue during the week to be labeled and stored.

Have questions?
Contact Aram at the synagogue.

*Etz Chaim is not responsible
for any broken or lost mugs*



We are ready to form new chavurot ~ friendship groups! And, we want you!

A chavurah is a wonderful opportunity to build treasured friendships in a small setting with other people in the Etz Chaim community.

We gather regularly throughout the year to enrich our lives by socializing, learning, and celebrating Jewish life together. Chavurah members plan activities of their own choosing.

Contact Felicia Berne at 678-910-1656 or Suzanne Rivchun at smrtannie@gmail.com, co-chairs or fill out the online information form at:

<https://etzchaimatl.shulcloud.com/form/chavurot>



Holiday Information



Pesach/Passover 5785/2025

Thursday, April 10 | 6:45 a.m.

Siyyum/Fast of the First Born

Thursday, April 10 | 8:32 p.m.

Search for Chametz

Friday, April 11

Sell and Burn Chametz by 12:33 p.m.

Sunday, April 13

10:00 a.m. Pesach Services

6:00 p.m. Second Night Community Seder led by Rabbi Adler | Hammer-Tritt Social Hall - [Click here](#) to RSVP.

Monday, April 14

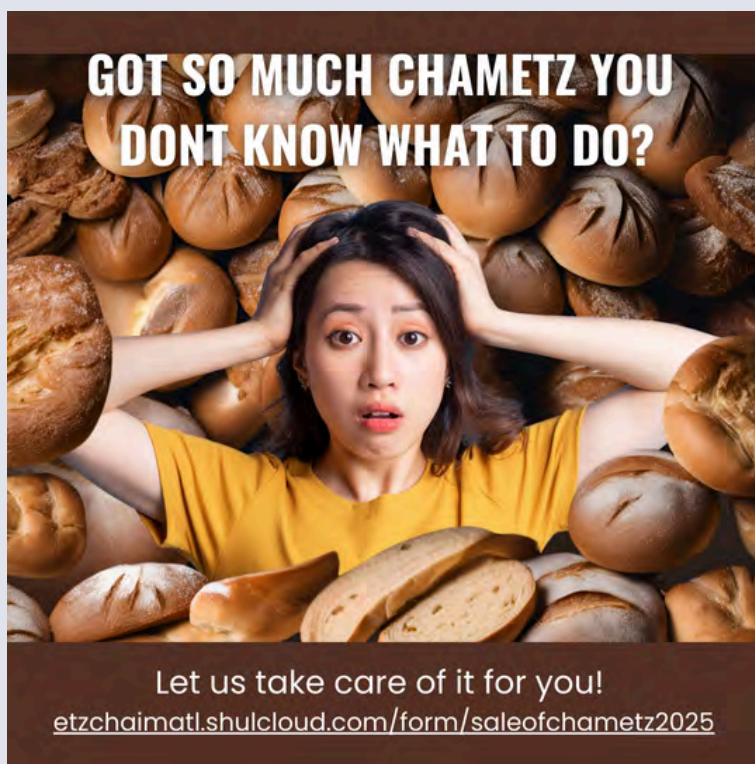
10:00 a.m. Pesach Services (Synagogue offices closed)

Sunday, April 20

9:30 a.m. Pesach & Yizkor Services

Yom HaShoah | Thursday, April 24 (See page 11 for Etz Chaim/St. Ann commemoration information.)

Yom Hazikaron/Yom Ha'atzmaut | Wednesday, April 30, and Thursday, May 1



To use the printed chametz form, go to page 25.

Upcoming Community Events

Check out our ongoing and new programs, as well as new programs in the greater Atlanta Jewish Community.

SAVE THE DATE

60 YEARS
1965 - 2025

60th Annual Community-Wide Holocaust Commemoration

Sunday, April 27, 2025 | 11:00 a.m. Rain or Shine
at the Memorial to the Six Million located inside Greenwood Cemetery

Phillip's Library News



Phillip's Library was refreshed and dedicated in memory of Phillip Michael Silverman on September 10, 2017.

Our library catalog is [available online](#). You can look to see what books are available in our library anytime, day or night, by accessing our catalog.

There are lots of great books and DVDs available at Phillip's Library for children and adults!

Stop by the library and browse anytime except during Religious School hours. Just follow the directions on the circulation desk to self-check out books.

Book returns go in the return slot at the circulation desk.

Suggestions are welcome for new Jewish books to purchase for the library.

You can also locate the link to the online library catalog on the home page of Etz Chaim's website under the Learning tab, then, Library from the main menu bar.



Library Catalog

Passover will be here soon! From PJ Library: Great ideas for doing Passover seders with kids. Dive into this collection of PJ Library's favorite ways to get families learning, playing, singing, tasting, and connecting. Click here: [Passover for Kids](#) | [PJ Library](#).

How about checking out a book from our library at Etz Chaim to get some great new ideas for your Passover seders? Here are a few of the Haggadot available: ***The Family Participation Haggadah: A Different Night*** by Noam Zion and David Dishon. This Haggadah is full of ideas for involving the entire family and has changed the American seder. It's a full traditional seder but with large amounts of art, commentaries, and discussion starters. (262.5 ZIO)

The Family and Frog Haggadah by Rabbi Ron Isaacs and Karen Rostoker-Gruber. In this kid-oriented Haggadah you will find lists to help Jewish families prepare for the seder as well as activities, games, and songs to enjoy during the seder. (J 262.5 ISA)

New American Haggadah edited by Jonathan Safran Foer. Foer has created a new way of experiencing the seder with a new translation of the text by Nathan Englander and provocative commentary by major Jewish writers and thinkers. It is unique and absorbing. (262.5 FOE)

Here's a sampling of the great Passover children's books available for checkout:

Miriam at the River by Jane Yolen. Here's a new beautifully illustrated book of the Bible story of Moses when he is left at the river and found by Pharaoh's daughter. (J 220.95 MOS YOL) For Grades K-3.

Max and Emma Cross the Red Sea: A Torah Time Travel Book by Carl Harris Shuman. Wonderful, engaging story about Max and Emma travelling back to see the Red Sea Part. Each page is a surprise. For Grades 1-3.

You can find more Haggadot, books on Passover and children's books on the library shelves at 262.5, J 262.5, 243.2 and J 243.2. The books mentioned above are all out on display on the library bookshelves and there are also always books on our display rack as well next to the library circulation desk.

You may self-check out books at any time. Directions for checkout are on the library desk. Just fill out a checkout card and leave it in the yellow box. The library is open for browsing anytime except during Religious School hours.

Contact Janice Levine at levines2000@comcast for info on how to do Shabbat checkouts.

You can also look for specific books online at <https://etzchaimlibrary.follettdestiny.com>.

Stop by and browse and have a Happy Passover-Chag sameach!

Roots Groups



Have you heard about *Roots*, Etz Chaim's interest-based small groups initiative?

All you need is a volunteer leader and five committed members to form a group. You decide when and where. Have a question about joining or creating a Roots Group? Contact us in the synagogue office.

Schmooze on Zoom Tuesdays at 3:00 p.m.

If you are looking for a place to chat and make social connections with friendly, non-aggressive chit-chat, we are looking for you!

All topics are welcome, *except for politics*. Drop in any time and leave whenever you wish.

All are welcome...anyone of any age, looking to connect with others. If you are looking for some adult stimulation and conversation, are homebound, in the hospital, home with your children, or just want to schmooze with friendly faces, we are here for you!

To join the conversation, please contact [Esther Shultz](#) or call her at (678) 462-2373 for the Zoom link.

PIRATES OF PERSIA PURIM CARNIVAL SPONSORS

ETZ CHAIM'S YOUTH DEPARTMENT WISHES TO
THANK OUR WONDERFUL "TREASURE CHEST" SPONSORS!



DIAMOND (\$400+)

ETZ CHAIM SISTERHOOD
JULIA AND KENT GOODMAN

PLATINUM (\$300-399)

LESLIE JETER AND RICHARD KAROL

GOLD (\$200-299)

AMY AND RABBI DAN DORSCH
CHERYL AND DAVID MILLER
LINDY AND NORMAN RADOW
PAM AND JOE ZISKEND

SILVER (\$100-199)

SHERRY ADAMS
REBA AND BOB BACHRACH
DONNA AND MARTYN BIERMAN
CECILE BOCK
ARLENE AND LARRY BROWN
AMY AND DALAN COHEN
DEBBIE AND GARY DEUTSCH
CHERYL AND DAVID EPPSTEINER
RABBA AMANDA AND JOE FLAKS
NEDA GAYLE
PHILLIP GREENSPON
JAMIE AND JONATHAN LYONS
JENNIFER AND JOSHUA PILA
THE OUTLET SHOPPES AT ATLANTA
ROZ REISS
DIANE AND ROBERT SALAMON
GILLAT STERNBERG AND MICHAEL GREENSIDE
BARBARA AND FRANK WILENSKY

BRONZE (\$54-99)

RONNI AND DAVID BEKER
LORI AND MARTY GILBERT
DANA AND ARI GREENBERG
BETHANY AND MARC LEVEE
KAREN AND HANK NEEDLE
ANGELA AND JAMES NOTHDURFT
GLYNIS AND ELLIOT OKRENT
SHERI AND BRUCE ROSENBLUM
BONNIE AND ALAN SILVERMAN

DOUBLE CHAI (\$36-53)

JUDI AND MARTIN ABRAMS
KAREN AND TODD CHAUVIN
SHIRLEY AND STEVEN FAIRCHILD
MARISA AND DAVE GEWERTZ
CHERYL AND JAMES HOWELL
ESTI AND NEER KLEINMAN
ARLENE AND GLENN LA VINE
JAMIE AND ROBERT MCDANIEL
MARNIE AND BRIAN NADOLNE
JACKIE AND STEVE PIERCE
MIRIAM AND ROBERT ROSENBAUM
LOU ROSENGARTEN
ALLISON AND SCOTT SAFFRAN
MELISSA AND DONALD SKLAR
LINDA AND MICHAEL WEINROTH
SARAJANE AND JACK WEINSTEIN

CHAI (\$18-35)

HEATHER AND JUSTIN BLAKE
LISA AND DARIN DUBOVY
BETSY AND ROB FITZWATER
SHERI AND BOB FROHLICH
SALLY GREENSTEIN
BERNICE ISAAC
SAMANTHA AND ROSS JOHNSON
AMANDA AND JOSH KANTOR
JENIFER AND BILL LIEBERBAUM
FERN AND STEVE MEHARG
LISA AND SAM OLENS
JENNA PERLOW
SUZANNE RIVCHUN AND DAVID LIEBERMAN
MADDY AND DAVID ROTHBARD
MAXINE AND JONATHAN SCHEIN
GAIL VANOVITCH
LOIS WITTENSTEIN

EAST COBBER
SPONSOR



50

Congregation
ETZ CHAIM



Tzedakah / Donations

Cynthia R. Freeman Memorial Endowment

In memory of:

Cynthia Freeman, a wonderful wife, mother and friend. You are missed.

Lori and Joe Freeman

Joan H. Rabin Memorial Endowment

Larry and Caren Appel

In loving memory of:

Joan Rabin
Howard Miller

Joan Halperin Rabin
Jay and Jan Miller

Joan Rabin
Judy and Joel Schancupp

Joan Rabin. She is always in our thoughts.
With love,

Debbi and Randy Chartash

In memory of:

Joan Rabin
Keith Halperin and Karen Grabow

Joan Rabin
Marc Laymon

Joan Rabin, with sweet thoughts of Joan on her 10th yahrzeit

Cheryl and David Eppsteiner

Phillip Michael Silverman Memorial Endowment

In loving memory of:

Richard Fagin
David and Toby Fagin

Radow Youth Scholarship Endowment

In honor of:

Norman and Lindy Radow
Sai Mukkamala

In memory of:

Beverly Radow
Norman Radow

Reba and Bob Bachrach Education Endowment

In loving memory of:

our brother, Richard Bachrach
our mother, Hermine Bachrach
our father, Harry May
Reba and Bob Bachrach

Reba and Bob Bachrach Education Endowment

Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Lisa and Sam Olens of the birth of their granddaughter

Reba and Bob Bachrach

Staff Appreciation Fund

In honor of:

Barbara Wilensky, our Broadway baby.
We wish you happiness and laughter always.
Happy belated birthday!

Cindee and Alberto Sapoznik

Rabbi Dorsch Discretionary Fund

David and Alison Barrack

Sherry Adams

In appreciation of:

Rabbi Dorsch. Thank you and the congregation for helping us celebrate and bless Ruth Heinemann on her 100th birthday.

**Susan and Steve Berman
and Ruth Heinemann**

In celebration of:

Patti Bloom. Happy Birthday!
Dale and Richard Millman

Ken Graiser for a happy loving comfortable birthday

Marcy Graiser

Sophia Mielnikowski's Bat Mitzvah!
Mindy and Jason Mielnikowski

In honor of:

Patti Bloom's 70th Birthday
Joanne and John Chaifetz

In loving memory of:

Ira Katz, missed for 27 years, my brother-in-law who was more brother and also like a dad
Alan Berman

Leo Bernstein, Sylvia Bernstein, Jeffrey Bernstein, Howard Bernstein, Rebecca Freedman, and Frances Gladstein, on their yahrzeits

Carole Wilson

Anita Freedman
Herbert and Kathy Schwartz

Harold Zinsenheim and Wayne Landon on their yahrzeits

Shari Landon

In memory of:

Irene Duke, mother of Nancy (Scott) Harris, and grandmother of Zoe and Lexy Harris.
Our thoughts and prayers are with the Harris and Duke families. May her memory be a blessing. We love you.

Amey and Evan Charles

Contributions processed from
February 15 - March 14, 2025

Rabbi Dorsch Discretionary Fund

In memory of:

my daughter, Eve Greenstein
Barnet Coltman

Clara Beker
David and Ronni Beker

my father, Theodore Shapiro
James Bauer and Susan McCarthy

Jeffrey Donner's yahrzeit
Jeffrey and Melissa Goodman

Bernard Cohen. To our amazing guy- your husband, our dad Benny Boy! We love you.
Love, The Kastenettes

Shari and Steven Kasten

Bruce Ripley
Stephen and Bonnie Dix

David Bodenstein
Steven Bodenstein

Mary Levine (Bubby)
Sydelle Silberman

Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Marvin Fellner on his birthday!! Enjoy!!
Jackie and Steve Pierce

Rabbi Lewis Discretionary Fund

In loving memory of:

Anita Freedman
Kathy and Herbert Schwartz

In memory of:

Bernard Cohen. To our amazing guy- your husband, our dad Benny Boy! We love you.
Love, The Kastenettes

Steven and Shari Kasten

Backpack Buddies Fund

In celebration of:

Patti Bloom. Wishing you a very happy 70th birthday! Welcome to the club, dear friend, and enjoy the ride!! Love,
Arlene and Glenn La Vine

Bernice, Jenn, Aaron, and Jason on your special birthday. Mazal Tov!

Bernice and Bruce Mellman

In loving memory of:

Anita Freedman
Alison and Jason Schneider

Papa Jerry Mellman

Grandma Estelle Mellman
Bernice and Bruce Mellman

my dad, Eli Reich, on his yahrzeit
Joanne Reicher

Joanne Ziskend. Your memory is a blessing. You would be so proud.

Pam and Joe Ziskend

Tzedakah / Donations

Backpack Buddies Fund

our father and grandfather, Harry Kolin
Steve and Jackie Pierce and Family

my sweet mom, Shirley Jassen, on her
yahrzeit. You would be so proud of your
legacy. With utmost love.

Karen and Hank Needle and Family

In memory of:

my sister Lorraine Allen's yahrzeit
Sally Greenstein

Bob Goldman Scholarship Fund

In memory of:

Ruth Needle
Henry and Karen Needle

Building Enhancement Fund

In loving memory of:

my dear dad, JR Shaw. Love,
David Shaw

College Connection Fund

In loving memory of:

Zelik Misnuner
Sharon and Brian Misnuner

In memory of:

my husband Nat Greenstein, on his yahrzeit
Sally Greenstein

Figur Family Outdoor Classroom

In loving memory of:

my father, Gerard "Jerry" Fisher
Adrienne and Randy Figur

General Fund

David and Barbara Siegelman

In honor of:

Sherry Adams
John Macdonald

In loving memory of:

Anita Freedman, mother of Sandra Freedman
Cathy and Rick Swerdlin

my father, Leon Epstein
Ellen Feldser

Leonard Zellinger
Lisa and Sam Olens

Helen Rosengarten. Your passing has left a void in
our hearts.

Lou Rosengarten and Debbie Deutsch

General Fund

In memory of:

our father, grandfather, and great
grandfather, Marvin Silver. We love
and miss you every day.

Jerry and Iris Silver

my mother, Ruth Needle
Karen and Hank Needle

Pauline Spandorfer
Pip and Ellen Spandorfer

Monavar and Mehdy Nooromid
Shahrokh and Safa Nooromid

Pia Crystal, grandmother, great
grandmother, and great-great
grandmother Pia Crystal. Love,
**Susan, Craig and Paige Adair, Cami,
Cason and Fin Maddox**

Joan z"l and Stephen King Fund

In appreciation of:

our wonderful family, friends and Etz Chaim
family, who helped me through the great
loss of my one-of-a-kind partner and spouse,
Joan King

Stephen King

In loving memory of:

Joan King - a special woman with such a
warm heart who is so missed already
Elyse and David Shaw

my mother and my inspiration, Grace King
Stephen King

Joan King
Vivian Kiechel

In memory of:

Joan King
Sandra Ferko

Joan King
Stephen and Miriam Cole

Lilmode - Adult Education Fund

In loving memory of:

Martin S. Kaplan - the best dad anyone could
ever wish for!

Brian and Sharon Misnuner

Popeye, dad, or mighty Bob. Whatever you
call him. Not a day goes by without a
thought, a whisper, a little nudge that you
are still here! Love you,
Elyse Shaw

Lester Ebel. Always loved and always missed.
Lynn and Bob Sustak

Linda H. Weinroth Education Fund

In loving memory of:

my father and teacher, Harry King
my grandfather, Raphael Fruchter
our loving mother, Anne Eden
Joan z"l and Stephen King

Contributions processed from
February 15 - March 14, 2025

Linda H. Weinroth Education Fund

In loving memory of:

my mother, Arline Rosenfeld
Kent and Julia Goodman

In memory of:

Dr. Leonard Klein
Lynn Schimmel

Phillip's Library Fund

In celebration of:

Patti Bloom's 70th birthday
Myra and Arvin Goldberg

In honor of:

our 50th wedding anniversary
David and Madeline Rothbard

Ruth Heinemann's 100th birthday.
Esther Low

In loving memory of:

Shirley Sarlin, a remarkable mother, grand-
mother, and wife. You are always in our hearts.
Janet and Lewis Duncan

In memory of:

Joanie King
Esther Low

Milton Sarlin - a wonderful brother and uncle
who is missed every day!
Janet and Lewis Duncan

Jacob Cohen
Lawrence Cohen

Preschool Fund

In celebration of:

Joe Ziskend's 65th birthday. Welcome to Medicare.
Lauren and Robert Gray

In loving memory of:

Sam Gladstein, Ida Gladstein, Terry Wilson,
Jennie Wilson, and David L. Wilson on their
yahrzeits
Carole Wilson

Sidney Goodman, father of Nancy Miller and
grandfather of Aaron Miller and Rachel Wohlers
Nancy G. Miller

my mother Sarah Jacobsohn on her yahrzeit
Ron and Karen Feibel

In memory of:

Leo Levine, beloved father and grandfather
Allan and Vivian Levine

your beloved father and grandfather, Mel Goldin.
We are sorry for your loss. May his memory be
for a blessing, now and always. Sincerely,
Arlene and Glenn La Vine

Bernard Cohen. To our amazing guy- your
husband, our dad Benny Boy! We love you.
Love, The Kastenettes
Steven and Shari Kasten

Tzedakah / Donations

Robert Klein Memorial Chesed Fund

In loving memory of:

Walt Shultz, a loving husband, a wonderful friend, great dad, and the best ever Saba. He is missed every day!

Esther, Rob, Pam & the Boys

father Ovadia Aghajani on his yahrzeit and my mother, Zarin Aghaiani. Both of you are always in my heart.

Safa Nooromid

In memory of:

Albert Kalen on his yahrzeit
David and Eleanor Hochberg

Sisterhood Fund

In loving memory of:

my dear grandma, Bea. Love,
Elyse Shaw

Clara Gray, Emery Gray, Diane Silverman, Harvey Silverman, Anne Silverman, Julius Silverman

Lauren and Robert Gray

Ariel Eisenberg, beloved daughter of Sugar and Scott Eisenberg
Melissa Sklar

Harry Lutzky. You were always the one who instilled in me the love of learning.

Miss you, Dad.

my sweet mother-in-law, Sarah Coplon - a kind soul

Paula Coplon

Sisterhood Fund

In memory of:

my mother Deloris Harris on the 19th anniversary of her yahrzeit

Bill and Karen Keeter

Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Lisa and Sam Olens on the birth of their granddaughter, Leora Adiella. No doubt she will bring you so much joy and nachus! So happy for the whole family!

Dana Greenberg on receiving the Sisterhood Volunteer award. Can't thank you enough for all your hard work!

Elyse and David Shaw

Social Action Fund

In loving memory of:

of my dear uncle, Murray. I hope you are watching lots of wrestling and cheering loudly. Love,
Elyse Shaw

In memory of:

Raymond Smith
Deborah and Bruce Nelson

Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Karen and Virgil Shepherd on the marriage of your daughter, Charli Cohen
Elyse and David Shaw

Steven Krodman Men's Club Scholarship Fund

In honor of:

David Lieberman. Congratulations on your retirement and future endeavors. All our best,
Delores and Allen Lazerson

Contributions processed from
February 15 - March 14, 2025

Youth Fund

Sherry Adams

Estelle Rydell

In loving memory of:

Mel Goldin, father of Bethany Levee. May his memory be for a blessing.

Debbie and Gary Deutsch

Wishing Mazal Tov to:

Karen Shepherd on the marriage of her daughter, Charli Cohen
Suzanne Rivchun and David Lieberman



Sisterhood Gallery



Sisterhood preparing all of the wonderful Mishloach Manot bags.

WLCJ Conference with (L-R) Neda Gayle, Helaine Mark, Dani Oren, Reba and Bob Bachrach. Mazal Tov to Reba for receiving the Light of Torah award.

Sell your Chametz for Passover

THE SEARCH FOR CHAMETZ (BEDIKAT CHAMETZ)

Get a candle and start your search for chametz.

In prohibiting the use of any leaven during the week of Passover, the Torah enjoins that "leaven shall not be seen with thee in all thy borders" (Ex. XII:7) and "No leaven shall be found in your houses" (Ex. XII:19). In order that these injunctions should be fulfilled both in the letter and the spirit, the rabbis ordained that a thorough search shall be made for chametz on the night before the beginning of the festival.

The search is to be conducted by candlelight so that no corner of the house shall be overlooked and even the smallest particle of leaven removed. On the following morning all remaining chametz is to be destroyed by fire, just as in Temple times any part of an offering, which had been accidentally retained in excess of its prescribed time limit, was relegated to the fire. **(Search for Chametz is Thursday night, April 10 at 8:32 p.m.)**

Having thus disposed of your chametz, the following declaration of annulment is cited: "May all leaven in my possession, whether I have seen it or not, or whether I have removed it or not, be annulled, considered as dust of the earth." This absolves you from responsibility for any chametz which might accidentally have been overlooked. This is a lovely tradition to follow, one that adds to the excitement of the season. For details, consult either page 140 of the First Jewish Catalogue or any complete Passover Haggadah.

SELLING THE CHAMETZ

Any chametz owned by a Jew during the Passover week is forbidden for actual use. If one cannot dispose of all chametz before the approach of the Passover holiday, he must arrange for a formal "MECHIRAT CHAMETZ" or sale of that chametz to a non-Jew.

All such chametz in your possession should be collected and placed in a spare room, closet or trunk and locked. All chametz dishes and utensils should also be placed in a special closet or room until after Pesach. You should then authorize the Rabbi to draw up a bill of sale and negotiate the transfer to a non-Jew. Every attempt should be made to see the Rabbi personally. If that is not possible, kindly mail the form below to Rabbi Dorsch. *It must reach the Rabbi by Friday, April 11, by 12:33 p.m.*

I hereby authorize Rabbi Daniel Dorsch to dispose of all my chametz, wherever it may be stored. This I do in accordance with the requirements and provisions of Jewish law.

Name: _____

Hebrew Name: _____

Address: _____

Showing Gratitude

The Siyyum for the Fast of the First Born will be held **Thursday, April 10, at 6:45 a.m.** All first born are welcome to attend to show their gratitude for being symbolically spared during the 10th plague.

Everything you need to know for the holiday:

etzchaimatl.net/shulcloud.com/form/saleofchametz5785

This guide was prepared for the Rabbinical Assembly Committee on Jewish Law and Standards by Rabbi Mayer Rabinowitz. It was accepted by the Committee on December 12, 1984. The last paragraph of the introduction, as well as Part A under "Permitted Foods" have been amended to reflect more recent decisions of the Committee affecting the status of peanuts, peanut oil and certain cheeses.

The Torah prohibits the ownership of chametz (leaven) during Pesach. Therefore, we arrange for the sale of the chametz to a non-Jew. The transfer, mekhirat chametz, is accomplished by appointing an agent, usually the Rabbi, to handle the sale. It is a valid and legal transfer of ownership. At the end of the holiday, the agent arranges for the reversion of ownership of the now-permitted chametz. If ownership of the chametz was not transferred before the holiday, the use of this chametz is prohibited after the holiday as well (chametz she-avar alav ha-Pesach).

Since the Torah prohibits the eating of chametz during Pesach, and since many common foods contain some admixture of chametz, guidance is necessary when shopping and preparing for Pesach.

During the eight days of Pesach, chametz cannot lose its identity in admixture. Therefore, the minutest amount of chametz renders the whole admixture chametz and its use on Pesach is prohibited. However, during the rest of the year, chametz follows the normal rules of admixture, i.e. it loses its identity in an admixture of one-part chametz and sixty parts of non-chametz. This affords us the opportunity to differentiate between foods purchased before and during Pesach.

What follows is a general guideline. However, your Rabbi should be consulted when any doubt arises. Kosher le-Pesach labels that do not bear the name of a Rabbi or one of the recognized symbols of rabbinic supervision, or which are not integral to the package, should not be used without consulting your Rabbi.

Prohibited foods include the following leavened bread, cakes, biscuits, crackers, cereal, coffees containing cereal derivatives, wheat, barley, oats, spelt, rye, and all liquids containing ingredients or flavors made from grain alcohol.

As of 2015, the Conservative Movement's Committee on Jewish Law and Standards (CJLS) has permitted the eating of Kitniyot (rice and various legumes) by those of Ashkenazi lineage. For those who choose to follow this response, they may choose to keep Passover according to the Sephardic custom.

We empower people with disabilities.

Explore programs that support individuals with disabilities, and their families and caregivers.

Visit jfcsatl.org/independence



HELPING OUR COMMUNITY

AgeWell

ATLANTA

Supporting older adults and caregivers as they navigate aging

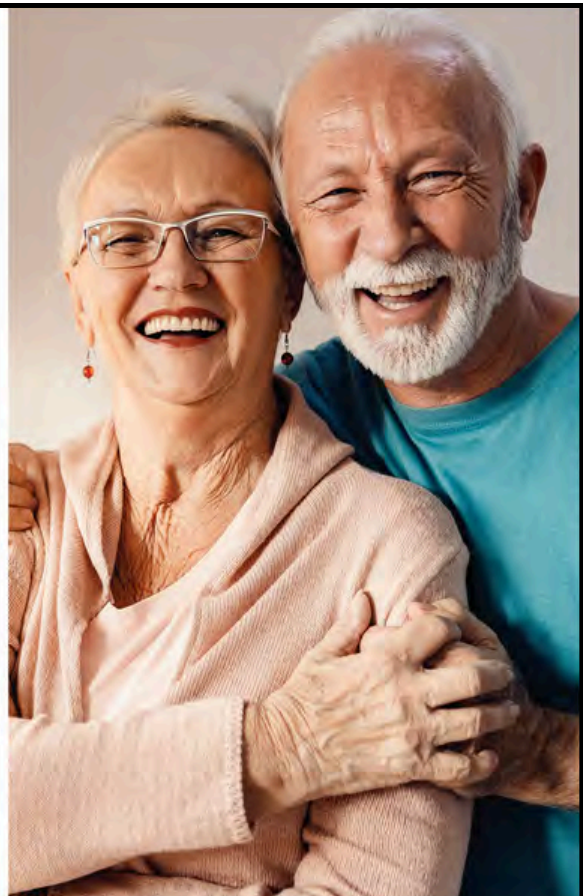
- Social events & recreational activities
- Residential communities
- Counseling & family support
- At-home care services

Learn more: agewellatl.org | 1.866.AGEWELL

Founding Partners:



Aviv Older Adult Services
Jewish Family & Career Services





ATLANTA'S CHOICE FOR A LUXURY DESIGN & BUILD

- Additions
- Kitchens & Bathrooms
- Basements
- Exterior Upgrades & Outdoor Living Spaces

FIGUR CONSTRUCTION
GoFigur.com

Lowell@GoFigur.com (404) 234-0105

Looking for a REAL ESTATE AGENT?



Liz Cohen & Associates
404-444-3663
lizcohen@kw.com
houseaholic.com
@lizcohenrealtor

**Curious about buying and selling
in today's market?
LET'S CHAT!**

**kw KELLERWILLIAMS.
ATLANTA NORTH**
Each Office is Independently Owned and Operated

3730 Roswell Rd, Suite 150 Marietta, GA 30062
770-509-0700

We are here for you!

**Have a great idea?
A question to ask?**

Your **Board of Trustee Ilason** is available to point you in the right direction or answer your questions.

Feel free to call or email him/her with your suggestions and concerns!
Not sure of the contact information?
Call the office 770.973.0137 to find that out.



WHAT WILL YOUR LEGACY BE?

Your bequest or other planned gift to Congregation Etz Chaim will help to keep our community strong for generations to come. Everyone has a unique family and financial situation. You can create a legacy gift to match your personal circumstances.

Options include:

- ♦ A simple bequest in a will or trust
- ♦ An outright gift using appreciated assets or cash
- ♦ A charitable remainder trust
- ♦ A charitable gift annuity

We have a number of accountants, attorneys, and insurance professionals who are available to help you, should you need assistance. For more information:

Marty Gilbert - 770-973-0137 John Fligel - 678-560-5820
Irwin Berman - 404-849-4308 Scott Rittenberg - 770-645-6887
Bob Bachrach - 770-846-3239

LIFE & LEGACY
ETZ CHAIM CONGREGATION

"As my ancestors planted before us, so must we plant for our children." - Talmud

Judaica ✦ Simcha & Hostess Gifts ✦ Holiday & Shabbat Essentials ✦ Kippot ✦ Tallit ✦ Jewelry ✦ Mezuzot & Kosher Scrolls

**Etz Chaim Judaica
and Gift Shop**

**READER'S CHOICE
AJT
Best of
Jewish Atlanta
2023**

**Spring is on the way.
Start thinking about your
Passover needs.**

**We have everything to make
your seder great or a thank you
gift for a hostess.**

Shop Hours:
Sunday & Monday, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. and Tuesday, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.
and by appointment. Contact us at giftshop@etzchaim.net.

Congregation Etz Chaim Judaica & Gifts | 1190 Indian Hills Pkwy., Marietta 30068

Judaica ✦ Simcha & Hostess Gifts ✦ Holiday & Shabbat Essentials ✦ Kippot ✦ Tallit ✦ Jewelry ✦ Mezuzot & Kosher Scrolls




Congregation Etz Chaim
1190 Indian Hills Parkway
Marietta, GA 30068

Synagogue Office 770-973-0137

Education Office 770-977-3384

Fax 770-977-0829

www.etzchaim.net

DRESSLER'S

JEWISH FUNERAL CARE™

Atlanta Born ~ Atlanta Owned ~ Atlanta Managed

FUNERAL AND CEMETERY PRE-PLANNING

It's easy: Over the phone, online, in person

It's safe: Pre-payments are 100% escrowed in an account you own

It's responsible: Simplifies arrangements, removes burden from family, fixes most funeral costs

**WE HONOR ANY PRE-PAID FUNERAL
FROM ANY OTHER FUNERAL HOME**



Edward Dressler

770.451.4999

www.DresslerJewishFunerals.com